

# Mt Egerton Primary School

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## Newsletter

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### Term 2 Week 9

Another busy term under our belt! A big thank you to Kathy and Mel for attending the zoo excursion. We had a fantastic day out and the weather for the end of June was fantastic! I will be taking 2 weeks of long service leave in week 4 and 5 next term and we will have Leah Lacny in my place. Leah currently works at Mount Pleasant Primary School. I hope you all have a happy and safe break – stay warm!!

### SpringFest

As Springfest beneficiaries, our school needs to help out at two events this year, and the amount we receive should be substantially more than in previous years. We will require each family to volunteer some time on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November for SpringFest and/or the carols by Candlelight market on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Please keep these dates free.

There will also be the online raffle (details to come) and there is also a harness racing night which our school will have a table at – please let Tegan know if you want to attend (see leaflet at the end of this newsletter).

SpringFest is also open to other volunteers in the lead up to the events. From finance, events co-ordination, logistics, mapping, marketing, websites – you name it, SpringFest does it and we'd love to have you more involved. Please let Tegan know if you want to be involved in a bigger capacity with the SpringFest team.

### Updated policies

Due to the Child Safe Standards being updated from July 1<sup>st</sup>, we have three new policies that were passed at School Council last week: Child safety and wellbeing policy, Child safety code of conduct and the Child safety responding and reporting obligations policy.

School Council also passed the following updated policies, to ensure they were in line with the new standards:

- Concerns & complaints policy
- Student wellbeing and engagement policy
- Bullying prevention policy
- Visitors policy
- Yard duty and supervision policy
- Digital technologies policy

These policies have been uploaded to our school website – please let me know if you have any feedback on them.

## Upcoming Dates

### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

Melbourne Zoo excursion

### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Last day Term 3 – dismissal 2:15pm

Father's Day orders due

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July

First day Term 3

Silent auction items back to Tegan

Thank you to Nate and Ms Quinlan for donating sauce for hot lunches. Thank you Zara and Lachlan for the donation of spreads for breakfast club.

OSHClub photos:



**Kindness:** *Being friendly, generous and considerate...*

**Wisdom:** *Having experience, knowledge and good judgment...*

**Integrity:** *Being honest, respectful and having strong moral principles...*

**Courage:** *The ability to face challenges; bravery...*

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### Student awards

Congratulations to Josh for demonstrating our school value of wisdom for taking the time and focus you need, to improve your handwriting. Keep focused on writing beautifully!

Congratulations to Arlo for demonstrating our school value of kindness for always being kind and fair to his classmates. Well done and keep up the good work!

Congratulations to Joel for demonstrating our school value of courage for showing great bravery in catching and releasing a spider.

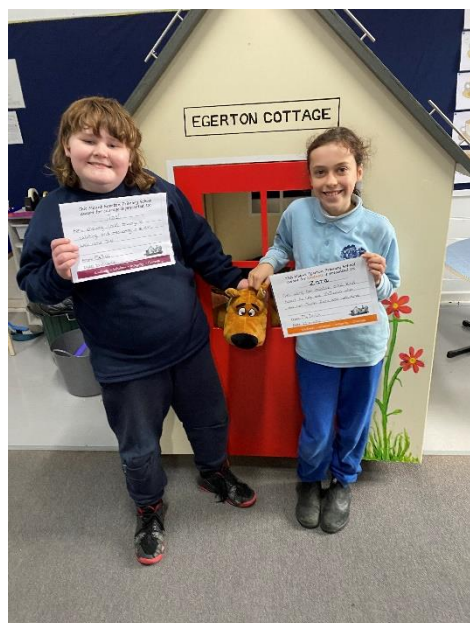
Congratulations to Zara for demonstrating our school value of kindness for using her initiative and kind heart to help put her teacher when she can. Thanks Zara and well done.

### Reading awards

Well done to Dylan for reading 75 nights!

Well done to Joel for reading 100 nights!

A massive well done to Angus, Maisie, Zara and Liam on reading 125 nights!!



## Teaching and Learning week 1 and 2 Term 3

Our staff will be collaborating with Warrenheip Primary School over 6 weeks in Term 3 to improve our students' writing with a focus on punctuation.


We will continue information reports for the first 3 weeks of Term 3.

In reading a major focus in the junior and senior room will be on comprehension.

In Number we are looking at multiplication for 3 weeks, and in our applied maths we are learning about measurement.

## OSHClub News



Adventure Junior Group would like to introduce Mount Egerton's newest Coordinator Holly Jeffrey. I am the new After school care coordinator and cannot wait to meet you all. I love everything and anything to do with sport and the great outdoors!! I will work alongside Gabby and have some fun activities planned and hope to see you in the afterschool care program. In the last couples of weeks, we have had lots of fun making slime, adventuring outside, and playing on the playground and that's just to name a few things. We are always up to new and exciting things.



**GET UP!  
STAND UP!  
SHOW UP!**

**3-10 JULY 2022**

**NAIDOC COMMUNITY  
DAY!**

 **Wednesday 6th July 2022** 

**10am-2pm—Ballarat  
Showgrounds**

NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Aboriginal communities, but by people from all walks of life.

We are excited to once again be holding our NAIDOC week community day in 2022 and share a great day of fun and activities for the whole family to enjoy.

There will be rides, food, face painting, dancing, stalls, activities and so much more!

Everything will be set up in the pavilion at the showgrounds.  
Enter from Howitt St—parking available.

## **Letter to parents and carers regarding changed to pandemic order:**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you would be aware, following advice from the Acting Chief Health Officer, the Victorian Government recently announced changes to the pandemic orders.

There will no longer be a mandated vaccination requirement for staff working in mainstream schools. This change will come in from 11.59pm Friday 24 June, so in effect from the start of Term 3 2022.

With almost 100% of school staff now vaccinated across Victoria, this will cause no change to our school.

As part of the changes, from 11.59pm Friday 24 June 2022, parents and carers who have COVID-19 can transport their non-COVID-19 children via private vehicle to their primary or secondary school when an alternative person is not available to assist. This will include school holiday programs held on school grounds.

This means that parents and carers will be able to leave COVID self-isolation to take their non-COVID-19 child to school or school holiday programs via a private vehicle.

The parent or carer must travel directly to and from the school only. They must remain in the vehicle at all times, unless it is reasonably necessary to leave the vehicle to walk the child to and from the entrance of the school safely. They must wear a face mask at all times.

Family members are asked to continue reporting positive COVID-19 cases to both the Department of Health and our own testing portal.

You must also let the school know if your child is a close contact. Students who are close contacts and want to attend should still take 5 RATs over 7 days and wear a face mask whilst indoors if they are aged 8 years or over.

Students should continue to stay home if they are unwell, even if they test negative on a RAT.

Thank you for your support as we continue to make these adjustments.



ENJOY A NIGHT OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

# EASTWOOD VETS HARNESS RACING NIGHT

**FRIDAY 7TH OCTOBER**

- BALLARAT & DISTRICT TROTTING CLUB
- FIRST RACE - 6.00PM▪
- \$40 PP - CHILDREN U16 \$22 PP ▪

INCLUDES ENTRY, 3 COURSE MEAL & RACE BOOK - (DRINKS AT BAR PRICES)

**RAFFLES | PUNTERS CLUB | ENTERTAINMENT**

**IN SUPPORT OF ROTARY CLUB OF BALLARAT**

**SPRINGFEST BALLARAT**

TO BOOK - Please call Rob Munro 0417 824 800 or  
Frank Cotronea 0412 547 569

